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TO RJAOFBA/FBIS OKINAWA

RUHHFBA/FBIS BANGKOK

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STATUS REPORT ON PRESS CONTRACTS; PTI ADVISES IT WISHES TO  
REVIEW CONTRACT; WITH INCREASE OF TWENTYFIVE PERCENT; I TOOK POSITION  
MOST INCREASE WE CAN TOLERATE IS FIFTEEN PERCENT; TO GUIDE ME IN  
FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD COMPROMISE AT TWENTY PERCENT BE ACCEPTABLE?

KYODO HAS NOTIFIED BUREAU ITS SERVICE WOULD INCREASE TEN PERCENT;  
OTHER EMBASSY USERS HAVE ALREADY CONCURRED IN THIS INCREASE; WHICH IS  
VERY REASONABLE; UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE I WILL ALSO CONCUR;

NO WORD YET FROM OTHER PRESS SERVICES; 172918Z MAR

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1. [Signature]  
2. COV 11-03 PTI  
3. COV 11-04 KYODO

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REF TK361 ON CONTRACT RENEWALS:

1. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO RENEW CONTRACTS FOR PTI/SAMACHAR, HAPTONG, CNA, AND KYODO RTT. BECAUSE FISCAL YEAR WILL SHIFT TO OCTOBER THIS YEAR, WE WOULD PREFER CONTRACTS COVER 15-MONTH PERIOD THIS TIME. IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE, WILL ACCEPT 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF CURRENT CONTRACT WITH STRAIGHT 1-YEAR RENEWAL BEGINNING 1 OCTOBER. IF THIS PRESENTS PROBLEMS, WILL DEFER TO YOUR JUDGMENT.

2. INFLATIONARY INCREASE OF 15 PERCENT ACCEPTABLE, BUT WE WOULD PREFER TO HOLD IT TO 10 IF POSSIBLE.

3. PTI/SAMACHAR NEGOTIATIONS MAY PRESENT PROBLEMS DUE TO RECENT NATIONALIZATION. SAMACHAR REP MAY BE UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO CONTINUE DOING BUSINESS WITH FBIS. ON OUR PART, SAMACHAR, AS GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED NEWS AGENCY, MAY NO LONGER REQUIRE A CONTRACT FOR CONTINUED FBIS COVERAGE. REGRET WE HAVE TO SEND YOU IN COLD ON THIS ONE, BUT WE JUST DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON SAMACHAR STRUCTURE TO PROVIDE MORE PRECISE GUIDELINES. PLEASE KEEP US POSTED ON SAMACHAR DEALINGS. 20/2127Z FEB

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CONTRACT  
PTI  
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CNA  
KYODO

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CONTRACTS WILL BE UP FOR RENEWAL 30 JUNE 1976 FOR PTI, HAPDONG,  
CNA, AND KYODO RTT SERVICES. IF CONTRACTS ARE TO BE RENegotiated,  
PLEASE PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION AND ANY INDICATIONS CONCERNING  
AMOUNT OF INCREASES WE CAN TOLERATE; 19/0602Z FEB

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